

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Market-Dominant Price Change

Docket No. R2023-1

CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 5

(Issued October 28, 2022)

To clarify the basis of information provided by the Postal Service in its Notice of Market Dominant Price Change, filed October 7, 2022,¹ the Postal Service is requested to provide a written response to the following question. An answer should be provided to the question as soon as it is developed, but no later than November 2, 2022.

USPS Marketing Mail

Please refer to the response to Chairman's Information Request No. 2, question 2.² Please also refer to the Postal Service's Notice of Market Dominant Price Change in Docket No. R2022-1, in which the Postal Service states it "estimated the High Density Flats, High Density Plus Flats, [Every Door Direct Mail (EDDM)] Flats, and Saturation Flats volume on 5-Digit (Direct Containers) using the percentage numbers derived from The Marketing Mail Characteristics Study documented in USPS-FY21-12 in ACR-2021."³

¹ United States Postal Service Notice of Market-Dominant Price Change, October 7, 2022.

² Responses of the United States Postal Service to Chairman's Information Request No. 2, October 25, 2022, question 2 (Response to CHIR No. 2).

³ Docket No. R2022-1, United States Postal Service Notice of Market-Dominant Price Change, April 6, 2022, at 18 (Docket No. R2022-1 Notice).

- a. Please confirm that the adjustment referred to in the Docket No. R2022-1 Notice uses the same source as the adjustment referred to in the Response to CHIR No. 2, question 2.
- b. If part a. is confirmed, please explain why the percentage used to adjust the billing determinants for High Density flats, High Density Plus flats, EDDM flats, and Saturation flats volume on 5-Digit (Direct Containers) would be different between Docket No. R2022-1 and this docket.
- c. If part a. is not confirmed, please identify the source that was used in Docket No. R2022-1. Please also explain why the Postal Service elected to change sources in order to make the same adjustment.

By the Chairman.

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